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Contemporary World Issues

**Network Neutrality**

**Question**

* *Should Internet users be in control of what content they view and what applications they use on the Internet?*

**Outline**

* Thesis Statement (90-150 words)

Network neutrality should be promoted as people have the freedom to control whatever they see and use on the Internet. Whatever the material, they are all personal activities and therefore the broadband companies should not be allowed to have any control over what the users of the broadband are using and seeing. It greatly limits the user’s research for information over the Internet, which would not only frustrate the users but also cause many problems, thus making the issue on network neutrality even more complicated and controversial.

* Brief Explanation as to Why it’s Controversial (130-200 words)

This issue is controversial because the Internet usage around the world is increasing, with many companies, groups and individuals turning their heads toward online contact and meetings rather than off-line. Examples include online libraries, stores and messengers that are being created as Internet technology advances. Some of those technological advances include better connection and more information. It is network neutrality that has allowed the Internet to develop so much in roughly 20 years. But the important part is that broadband carriers are using their market power to discriminate against competing applications or content. They are even trying to get Congress’s pemission to determine what content gets to us. By destroying network neutrality, the use of Internet could drop dramatically and advancement in Internet technology could slow down if not stop at all.

* Pro’s, Con’s, and their Points of View (250-400 words)

*Pros*

The people going for network neutrality keep saying that it should be promoted and that people from broadband companies are discriminating against online applications and other Internet services. They argue with examples about past incidents involving a traffic jam on the Internet. Their overall argument is that the companies shouldn’t control the people using the Internet with payments and the people who control the sites with negotiations because that would be unfair for everyone, eventually impacting the development in our Internet technology negatively.

*Cons*

The cons as stating the online traffic and are arguing that they need to control the users by negotiating with the websites/Internet that provides all of the information, application, etc. They argue that they have a hard time controlling the server and the best services should be given to the people who pay the most to the broadband companies. At the end of the day they firmly state that they’re way of solving the problem is simple as long as people cooperatate to control the problem their way.

* Paragraphs & Examples/Evidence (300-500 words)

*Evidence used should be footnoted in each of the paragraphs in which it will be used*

Problems occurred included the slowing down of server or just disconnection of the Internet because the broadband company mixed up the server. The first paragraph will contain examples from the pro side that attack the cons. They include everyday problems caused and the inefficiency of the company’s way of trying to solve the problem about them, such as demanding the users to pay more, or trying to deal with the application users such as YouTube to pay the broadband so they can openly enable the users of their sites to roam freely.

The second paragraph will include the cons point of view by giving examples of the efficiency of their ways in solving the Internet problems. They will admit that some problems did occur but cover it up by stating law statements along with business/economics and complaining that they have lots of problems themselves.

The last paragraph will conclude the two sides opinions and state the endings of furthur examples/events involving net neutrality that happened recently.

* Conclusion & the Future Impact of My Position/Opinion (120-200 words)

*This part will explain the cons thought first, then the pros, then mine*

Overall, network neutrality should be encouraged by everybody- including the broadband companies themselves. We all should have equal access to the Internet and broadband companies should not discriminate against competing applications or content. In fact, this kind of discrimination should be made illegal by law- because it exists in all sorts of companies that control anything related to broadbands. Examples include the most common telephone corporations and here, broadband companies. Network neutrality will help us in that lke always, Internet technology will keep advancing- and as offline applications come on online, more people will be able to access a larger amount of information. Denying these rights by making the users pay, or the applications do deals with the broadband companies would cause an uproar within the online community.